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# 'SHAMEFUL'

Comedian Jon Stewart tore into Congress on Tuesday after only a handful of lawmakers bothered to show up for a 9/11 funding hearing which was attended by dozens of 9/11 first responders. 4

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The U.S. wants Mexico to be declared a safe third country.

President Donald Trump on Tuesday insisted there was more to the migrant deal with Mexico announced over the weekend, even after Mexican officials unveiled new details of the agreement, and waved around a document that he said proved his point.

Trump did not show the document or give any details, but a Reuters photograph of the folded document allowed reporters to read parts of it.

The U.S.-Mexico migration deal includes a regional asylum plan and Mexico's commitment to examine and potentially change its laws to implement the agreement, according to the copy.

The deal lays out "a regional approach to burden-sharing in relation to the processing of refugee status claims to migrants," the document said.

Trump told reporters he would let Mexico announce it "at the right time," but that "it goes into effect at my option."

On Monday, Trump said Mexico would soon disclose part of the agreement and said that portion would have to be taken up by the Mexican Congress. He gave no more details.

Announcing previ-

# More to Mexico migrant deal, Trump says, waves document



REUTERS

ously undisclosed details of Friday's deal, Mexican officials said on Monday they had 45 days to show that increased enforcement efforts were effective in reducing flows of migrants, mostly from Central America. If not, they would have to talk with the United States about additional measures.

The United States wants Mexico to be declared a safe third country in which asylum seekers would have to seek safe harbor instead of the United States, a demand Mexico has long rejected.

Mexican Foreign Minister Marcelo Ebrard dropped his previous opposition to that idea in comments on

Monday, but said other Latin American countries should share the asylum load with Mexico under such an arrangement.

The deal struck on Friday averted import tariffs on all Mexican goods, which Trump had vowed to impose this week unless Mexico did more to curb migration.

At the White House

on Tuesday, Trump praised the agreement and called on congressional Democrats, who control the U.S. House of Representatives, to also help address the waves of migrants seeking to cross the southern U.S. border with Mexico.

"We're going to sit down at some point with the Democrats, we're go-

ing to work it all out," he told reporters.

Democrats, along with some of Trump's fellow Republicans, have criticized Trump for tying trade policy to the immigration debate. They have also blasted the Trump administration's handling of the migrants, calling it a humanitarian disaster. REUTERS

## Trump receives 'beautiful' letter from Kim Jong Un

President Donald Trump cozied up anew to North Korean leader Kim Jong Un on Tuesday, praising a "beautiful" letter he received from Kim and appearing to take a public stance against the CIA spying on him. Trump told reporters at the White House, "I think that something will happen that's going to be very positive," but gave no details. Washington is seeking to rebuild momentum in stalled

talks with Pyongyang, aimed at getting North Korea to dismantle its nuclear weapons program. Trump and Kim last met early this year in Hanoi but failed to reach a denuclearization agreement. Trump spoke a day after the Wall Street Journal reported that Kim's slain half-brother, Kim Jong Nam, was a source for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. Kim Jong Nam was killed at the airport in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in 2017. REUTERS

## Amazon to shut restaurant delivery service in US

Amazon.com said on Tuesday it would end its U.S. restaurant food delivery service on June 24, giving in to intense competition from GrubHub Inc., DoorDash and Uber Technologies' Uber Eats services. "A small fraction of Amazon employees are affected by this decision, and many of those affected have already found new roles at Amazon," the company said in a statement. "Employees will be offered personalized support to

find a new role within, or outside of, the company." Amazon Restaurants was launched in 2015 in Seattle and was designed to give Prime members a way to order meals, apart from products and groceries, through the online retailer. The service was expanded to more than 20 U.S. cities and then to London, where the program ended in November. Shares of Amazon edged up 0.4 percent, while GrubHub rose 8.6 percent. REUTERS

## Beyond Meat slides after stock gets downgraded

Shares of Beyond Meat Inc. fell as much as 22 percent on Tuesday after one of the stock's lead underwriters, J.P. Morgan, downgraded it, saying the exponential growth expected from the plant-based burger was now priced in. Beyond Meat has surged over 69 percent in two days since it forecast overall sales in 2019 to more than double. J.P. Morgan analyst Ken Goldman cut the stock rating to "neu-

tral" from "overweight" and said it was "purely a valuation call." The stock, which has quadrupled in value since its debut in May, is "beyond our price target," he said. Shares of the company were down 19.8 percent at \$134.9 in mid-day trading, but still well above Wall Street analysts' price target on the stock. Goldman raised price target for the second time in three days to \$121, after raising it by \$23 last Friday on the upbeat forecast. REUTERS





## Dear New Yorkers,

As elected leaders, **we the undersigned stand with the people of Missouri** and people across the country who live in places where access to abortion care is being systematically attacked. We denounce the reckless actions of those who oppose reproductive freedom, and together with Planned Parenthood, will fight every attack that threatens access to reproductive health care – including safe, legal abortion.

Just recently, the Planned Parenthood in St. Louis was literally hours away from having its license revoked by the state's Department of Health, which would have made it the first state without a functioning abortion provider since 1973 – potentially leaving more than 1 million people without access to a legal health care procedure.

**But this is far more than an attack on Missourians.** It is part of a coordinated plan by those opposed to safe and legal abortion to overturn *Roe v. Wade* and cut off all access to abortion care in the United States. Indeed, Missouri joins states including Alabama, Georgia, Ohio, Kentucky, Mississippi and Louisiana in passing extreme abortion bans. Some of these laws don't include exceptions for rape or incest survivors. Some would jail doctors for offering their patients care. These laws are unconstitutional and they are absolutely wrong for America.

**At all levels of government, we must stand committed to ensuring our constituents have access to the full range of reproductive health care services they need and deserve.** As representatives in New York State, we are proud that our state government protected reproductive rights for New Yorkers in January with the passage of the Reproductive Health Act. Moreover, we have stood in support of this bill in our communities, knowing that our constituents are safer and healthier when access to health care comes without fear or stigma. Now, we must continue to be leaders by sending a message loud and clear across the country: **No bans. Not now. Not ever.**

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## NEWS

# Jon Stewart assails Congress for ignoring 9/11 first responders

"Al-Qaeda didn't shout, 'Death to Tribeca,'" the comedian told Congress.

Jon Stewart, the popular former host of the late-night comedy program "The Daily Show," criticized members of Congress for not attending a hearing on Tuesday on renewing funding for a program that provides health care to first responders who were sickened responding to the Sept. 11 attacks.

"Sick and dying, they brought themselves down here to speak ... and no one," Stewart said, pointing to a mostly empty dais. "Shameful, it's an embarrassment to the country and a stain on this institution. You should be ashamed of yourselves for those who aren't here but you won't



FealGood Foundation co-founder John Feal hugs former "Daily Show" host Jon Stewart during Tuesday's testimony before Congress.

REUTERS

be because accountability doesn't appear to be something that occurs in this chamber."

Stewart was testifying before the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liber-

ties about a renewal of the 9/11 first responders health care fund. Most of the panel's 14 members were not in attendance.

"Where are they? It would be one thing if their callous indifference and rank hypocrisy

was benign, but it's not," Stewart said. "Their indifference cost these men and women their most valuable commodity, time, one thing they're running out of."

The fund, originally approved for five years in

2010, provides medical treatment for emergency responders sickened by toxic dust inhaled at the World Trade Center site in New York in the days following the attack.

Republicans had balked at the price of the

original legislation and, as a compromise at the time, Democrats agreed to authorize the fund only for five years and cover the cost with an excise tax. That has set up a fight every five years to get Congress to renew the program.

Stewart criticized Congress for continuing to require the fund be renewed every five years — pointing to the panel's top Republican, Rep. Mike Johnson, for saying that Congress has to balance other emergencies as well.

"I'm pretty sure what's going to happen five years from now, more of these men and women are going to get sick and they are going to die and I am awfully tired of hearing that it's a 9/11 New York issue," Stewart said. "Al-Qaeda didn't shout, 'Death to Tribeca.'" REUTERS

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Officials and firefighters work around the crash site after a helicopter crash-landed atop a skyscraper in Midtown Manhattan.

# Pilot in New York chopper crash not certified for bad weather: FAA

Pilot Tim McCormack was the only person aboard the chopper when it crashed.

The pilot who died when he crashed his helicopter atop a Manhattan skyscraper was not licensed to fly the aircraft in bad weather, the Federal Aviation Administration said on Tuesday.

Tim McCormack, the pilot, was the only person aboard when the helicopter crashed on Monday afternoon with enough force to jolt employees of the finance and law firms housed inside the 50-floor tower in Midtown Manhattan.

McCormack was flying over one of the country's densest urban districts through rain and low clouds despite not being "instrument rated," meaning he was not licensed to use the onboard systems to navigate the craft during limited-visibility conditions, according to the FAA.

Police and other officials believe the crash was an accident.

The crash and subsequent evacuation of the building stirred memories of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and brought renewed calls for tighter restrictions for New York City airspace. U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney, who

represents parts of Manhattan, said she wanted all “nonessential” flights banned.

McCormack was 58 and from Clinton Corners, New York, according to local media. He was an experienced pilot who had taken off from a heliport on Manhattan's East Side en route to Linden Airport, about 20 miles southwest of Manhattan in New Jersey, according to Paul Dudley, the airport's director.

Before the crash, McCormack had flown a single passenger from Westchester County, north of New York City, at about 11:30 a.m. and landed 15 minutes later at the heliport on the East River, federal investigator Doug Brazy told a news conference on Tuesday.

The passenger said there was "nothing out of the ordinary" about his encounter with McCormack, said Brazy, of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB).

McCormack then waited until about 1:30 p.m., when he departed for Linden and crashed about 10 minutes later, Brazy said.

"Should the helicopter have been flying? I don't know yet," Brazy said. "We've got some information that the pilot may have tried to make radio calls near the end of the flight. We're trying to confirm that now." **REUTERS**



Emergency vehicles are seen outside 787 7th Ave. REUTERS

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House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

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## Pelosi is so 'done' with Trump, the 'diverter in chief'

Last week, the president labeled the speaker a "disgrace."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said Tuesday she's "done" with talking about President Donald Trump and called him the "diverter in chief," saying he manufactured controversies to distract attention from more important issues.

"I'm done with him. I don't even want to talk about him," Pelosi, a Democrat, said at a Washington conference in reply to a question about Trump's latest barrage of personal insults. Last week, Trump called Pelosi, the most powerful Democrat, "a disgrace ... a nasty, vindictive, horrible person."

At a U.S. war cemetery in France, with the gravestones of fallen soldiers in the background, Trump said in a Fox News interview, "I call her Nervous Nancy ... Nancy Pelosi's a disaster, okay? She's a disaster."

Asked at the conference how she works with Republican Trump when he throws such insults her way, Pelosi said:

"I just consider the source. My stock goes up every time he attacks me, so what can I say? But let's not spend too

much time on that because that's his victory, the diverter in chief, the diverter-of-attention-in-chief."

For part of Trump's presidency, he generally refrained from trash-talking Pelosi as he does many others, but that ended in recent weeks as Democrats intensified their investigations of the president and discussed possibly impeaching him.

Pelosi declined to confirm recent media reports that she had told fellow Democrats that Trump should be in prison, rather than impeached, because of his behavior as outlined in U.S. Special Counsel Robert Mueller's report on Russian interference in the 2016 election and Trump's efforts to impede that probe.

However, she said of impeachment: "It's not off the table."

White House Acting Chief of Staff Mick Mulvaney, speaking to the same conference later Tuesday, expressed skepticism that Pelosi was "done" with Trump. "We're not done with her. I doubt she's done with us," Mulvaney said. "We'll see how long that holds up."

Pelosi has previously talked about Trump's

comments and threats being a diversion from the issues. Last week, the speaker said that Trump's threatened tariffs on Mexico were both bad policy and a distraction from the Mueller report.

**"I'm done with him. I don't even want to talk about him."**

**Nancy Pelosi,**  
speaker of the  
House of  
Representatives

"What bothers me more is that we're talking about that [Trump's insults] instead of how to reduce national debt," Pelosi said at the conference on Tuesday.

She said that even on the question of rebuilding U.S. infrastructure, which Trump had often said he wanted to do, "when it came to pay for it, he diverted attention to personal matters." Trump last month torpedoed a meeting with Democrats on infrastructure, saying he could not work with them as long as they were conducting multiple investigations of him. REUTERS



# Why Aren't Doctors Telling Knee Arthritis Sufferers About These Two Often Successful Treatments?

## *Two Advanced Medical Treatments Every Knee Arthritis Sufferer Needs To Know - Before Or After Knee Replacement Surgery*

**NYC** -If you suffer with knee arthritis pain, you have probably already tried *many* treatments... especially countless pain medications. With minimal or no results

### Are there any better options?

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**Before we get into the two treatments, please understand this...**

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**Know this fact:** There is no cure for arthritis. But there are *these* two treatments that have already helped thousands of knee arthritis sufferers - possibly just like you.

### #1 Viscosupplementation

Here's what you need to know about viscosupplementation - the good and the bad....

When you have arthritis, you suffer a decrease in the lubrication fluids in your knee. In other words, your knee joints basically "dries up."

The lubricating fluid that decreases is called "synovial fluid."

Pharmaceutical companies (with the help of scientists) can now make synovial fluid-like compounds that... during viscosupplementation treatments... doctors

precisely inject directly into the knee joint.

This helps replace the lubricating fluid to the knee joint - allowing it to move more freely and smoothly and often decreasing or even eliminating the pain.

### What Results Can Be Expected?

Like all medical treatments, the results vary and can not be predicted. But many knee arthritis sufferers get dramatic results. It is not uncommon for patients to either postpone knee replacement surgery for years... or even permanently cancel it.

### But There Is A BIG Problem

The key is the treatment must be EXTREMELY PRECISE. If the procedure is slightly off, the formula will not get into the knee joint and the treatment will not work.

That's why the experts at **NYC Pain MD** use advanced digital imaging so they visually guide the injection accurately into the knee joint during the treatment.

Research shows that performing joint injections without imaging miss the joint as much as 30% of the time.

If you have had prior viscosupplementation without this special digital imaging without good results - this may be the exact reason why.

That's why NYC Pain MD even takes it one step further. They do not just use one form of advanced imaging during treatment - they use two in their "double confirmation" process. This is to ensure patients get the best possible results.

### Another Important Factor

Viscosupplementation "medicines" also come in several different formulas.

Just like all medications, some people respond better to one than another. While many doctors only use one formula, the experts at NYC Pain MD use several and great effort is taken to figure out what the best one is for you.

### What Should You Do If Viscosupplementation Fails?

#### #2 Radiofrequency Neurotomy

This treatment is called, "Radiofrequency Neurotomy." RF for short RF is a procedure that is based on the theory that blocking the nerve supply to the painful area may alleviate pain and restore function.

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If this first "test" procedure is successful, Genicular Neurotomy (GRF) is performed for long term relief.

### Is It Safe?

Research has shown this procedure to be safe and effective.

One study published November 4, 2010 in the journal *Pain* found that RF treated subjects on average "achieved at least 50% knee pain relief at 1, 4 and 12 weeks, respectively. No patient reported a post-procedure adverse event during the follow-up period. RF neurotomy of

## Advanced Imaging Allows Doctors To Pin-Point Treatments And Relieve Knee Arthritis Pain



**Science rescues knee arthritis sufferers?** Research shows joint injections done without advanced imaging misses the joint about 30% of the time. Now doctors can put lubricating fluid directly into the arthritis joint that may alleviate pain and restore function to many.

Genicular nerves leads to significant pain reduction and functional improvement in a subset of elderly chronic knee OA pain, and thus may be an effective treatment in such cases."

### Who Should Try This Treatment?

RF should be considered after other treatments, such as anti-inflammatory pain medication, physical rehab or viscosupplementation do not offer good enough results.

RF may be utilized before resorting to total knee replacement. RF allows many patients to avoid knee replacement surgery.

But - RF has also been found effective AFTER knee replacement surgery when the patient still feels pain.

The pain after a failed knee replacement surgery can be debilitating and this procedure may be the only thing that helps and give you after surgery relief.

### What To Do Next If You Are In Pain

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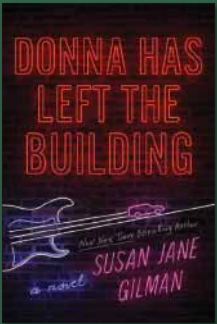




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## NYC closes another Jewish school for violating vaccine order

Noncompliance with the Health Commissioner's emergency order was the reason.



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Central UTA Boys Division in Williamsburg is the 10th school to receive a closure notice from the New York City Department of Health since an April 9 emergency order regarding the measles outbreak.

The school was shut down because it failed to exclude staff and students who did not have documentation of the measles vaccine, health officials said Tuesday. The school also received violations for not having adequate staff-to-student ratio. Additionally, it did not give health inspectors attendance and vaccination records in the provided time.

Central UTA Boys Division will not be allowed to reopen until the health department receives and approves of a corrective action plan. So far, all nine schools that had violated the emergency order have provided officials with corrective plans and were able to reopen with monitoring.

Health Commissioner Dr. Oxiris Barbot said in a statement to Metro that "school staff, parents and health care providers

need to continue playing their role in bringing this outbreak to an end." Barbot also encouraged everyone to get vaccinated to help end the measles outbreak.

As of June 10, there have been over 588 cases of measles since the outbreak began in October.

The mayor's office told Metro that 437, or 74 percent, of those measles cases have occurred in the Williamsburg area. As of April 9, there has been an emergency order requiring those who live within the zip codes of 11205, 11206, 11211 and 11249 to get vaccinated.

Citywide, due to this emergency order, over 50,000 vaccines have been administered to children between 6 months and 18 years old.

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## New York Marathon expands 'virtual race' worldwide

Jogging solo in Florida in near 80-degree Fahrenheit heat, Theresa Winterhalter's New York City Marathon experience last November looked much different to what you would expect from the world's biggest marathon.

The 54-year-old was one of 424 people to finish the iconic race's first "virtual marathon," an event that race organizers are now expanding. The New York City Marathon will welcome unlimited, free enrollment in its virtual marathon this year, aiming to attract thousands of runners from across the globe.

"I think it's critical that organizations look beyond the physical races," Michael Capiraso, president and CEO of New York Road Runners, which hosts the marathon, told Reuters.

"It's a great way to engage people around the world."



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With 52,813 finishers last year, the New York City Marathon is famously popular with amateurs and pros alike, attracting massive interest in its yearly lottery entry.

Capiraso said he was eager to draw in runners who might be unable to commit to the travel or expenses, and sees huge potential in virtual races.

"I think it's really exciting where it's headed and where it's going to go," said Capiraso. "People feel as though they are part of something."

The plan is an extension of NYRR's years-long push into virtual

products, which have included a training program and a virtual racing series launched last year that has so far seen over 57,000 finishers.

Virtual marathon participants will log their marathon miles through Strava, a social networking site geared toward athletes, choosing to run on the day of the marathon or one of the three days leading up to it.

"Our view is, real-world racing is never going to go away," said David Lorsch, Strava's vice president of strategy and business development. "[It's an] opportunity to be motivated and connected through a digital experience."

Winterhalter charted her precise route close to her Clearwater home in advance, which included a stop at a grocery store at mile 20, and finished her virtual race in a little over five hours last year.

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## Cuba Gooding Jr. accused of groping woman in Midtown

Law enforcement officials are investigating claims that the actor groped a woman's breast.



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Oscar-winning actor Cuba Gooding Jr. is being investigated for allegedly groping a woman at a New York City bar, according to reports.

The investigation comes after a 30-year-old woman claimed that someone who was "highly intoxicated" inappropriately touched her breasts Sunday night at the Magic Hour Rooftop Bar & Lounge, located at 485 7th Ave. Page Six reported that after the alleged incident, the woman got into a fight with the perpetrator that was broken up by security. The woman filed a police report claiming it was Gooding who groped her.

A social media post shared by Matt Assante, which has since been deleted, supposedly places Gooding at the Moxy Hotel Times Square, where the bar is located.

Although the post is gone, TMZ acquired footage of Gooding wearing a white shirt, black vest and black pants and singing karaoke at the bar.

At around 1 a.m., the woman called 911 and reported the incident. Gooding was caught on video leaving the club shortly after.

**"The NYPD takes sexual assault extremely seriously, and urges anyone who has been a victim to file a police report so we can perform a comprehensive investigation, and offer support and services to survivors."**

Sophia Mason,  
NYPD rep

Officials would not confirm if the allegations actually involved

the "The People v. O.J. Simpson" star, but it wouldn't be the first time he is at the center of controversy. Gooding came under fire in March 2017 after lifting up co-star Sarah Paulson's dress.

Dets. Hubert Reyes and Martin Brown, two NYPD reps, told USA Today the Special Victims Division and detectives are investigating an incident of "forcible touching." They also told USA Today that they are in the process of obtaining video from the bar and surrounding area in hopes it can shed some light on the case.

When asked, NYPD did not comment directly on the allegations against Gooding but offered a statement about the seriousness of sexual assault. Sophia Mason, an NYPD rep, told Metro: "The NYPD takes sexual assault extremely seriously, and urges anyone who has been a victim to file a police report so we can perform a comprehensive investigation, and offer support and services to survivors."

Gooding had not publicly commented on the allegations as of press time.



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#### TOURISTS IN NYC

Listen, I know New York is the greatest city in the world, the concrete jungle of dreams, the Big Apple. But can we please contain the tourists being all, well, tourists? Stopping in the middle of the street with their selfie sticks, walking slower than endangered turtles, inserting themselves into the subway then getting lost. The locals are tired of dealing with them! And on top of that, they're STUBBORN. Like the pigeons that won't get out of your way when you're walking — except they are human, so you can't even jump over them. I think they forget that not everyone around them is a tourist. Some of us are trying to get to places, and get there relatively fast. The subway delays are already raining on that parade. We don't need tourists adding to the equation. So, my advice to them: Please collectively stay in Times Square at all times so we locals can avoid that one expanse. Thanks!

— Simran Sharma, *Metro New York* reader



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**Taurus** Take a look at what's available. A change of location, lifestyle upgrade or educational opportunity is favored. Do your best to keep up with industry and technology changes.



**Scorpio** Participate in events that will help you gain experience. Share your thoughts and collaborate with people you find stimulating. Embrace new beginnings.



**Gemini** Trust will be an issue. Offers that sound too good to be true should be ruled out. A slow build and hard work will help you excel. Leave nothing to chance.



**Sagittarius** Don't lose sight of what's essential and what needs to be taken care of immediately. If you rely on someone else to handle your affairs or responsibilities, you'll be disappointed.



**Cancer** Look at your choices and consider trying something you've never done before. Test the water to gain experience and insight. Trust your instincts and follow through.



**Capricorn** Rely on your abilities to remain calm and to avoid being talked into something before you review certain facts and figures. The best help you can offer is an honest opinion.



**Leo** Think twice before you make a move. Concentrate on how to best take advantage of your assets, skills and connections. Planning ahead is in your best interest.



**Aquarius** Updates at home will turn out well and should help to lower your overhead. A significant relationship will take a positive turn if you share the work and enjoy the results together.



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## LIFESTYLE

We took the time to unpack the newest — and weak — installment of the once-chilling and -vital satire.

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"Black Mirror" has long faced comparisons to the seminal show "The Twilight Zone." Both are anthologies focused on twisty and unexpected plots. In many ways, it's unfair to compare "Black Mirror" to "The Twilight Zone"; instead, it's accurate to see "Black Mirror" as the spiritual descendant.

However, as initial episodes showed great narrative promise, further episodes exposed repetitive, paper-thin plots and hammy dialogue. Applying an overlay of "technology is bad," it turns out,

doesn't make for compelling television. Just because a writer has a perspective doesn't mean the writer has any insight. "The Twilight Zone" churned out 154 episodes in its initial run. "Black Mirror" has churned out 24 narratives and it's clearly pretty well out of ideas.

It's not that the three stories aren't interesting concepts in their own right. It's that none of them really seem to know what they're doing and why they exist. It's as though they've (for the most part) tossed out the technology-is-bad rule on the whiteboard and changed it to "technology is ?" and left it at that.

The first episode, "Striking Vipers," explores the source of passion for two men who are living "very different lives" because one has a family and one is single — somehow, there's an unreachable cultural chasm. And while there are genuinely touching moments, and considerate ruminations on the benefits of transhumanist con-



cerns, there's also a generous tone of homophobia excused as a character arc. It's basically a riff on the sentimentality the show created in the past episode, "San Junipero," and hopes to capture that same feeling. It's not a bad thing. It just feels familiar.

The tricky thing is that every adult in the world right now is well-aware of the negative side effects of technology on our cultural landscape. Finding an insightful point of view while crafting a good story is something difficult to pull off. The second episode, "Smithereens," is a promising premise that is impressive in how quickly it finds itself to be incred-

ibly dull.

Is it a suspense thriller? It finds a way to be suspenseless. Is it a critique of tech giants and their aim to be omnipresent in our lives? That's a facile theme that the show has run into the ground and we won't stay with that too long. Is it a rumination on addiction? Kind of? Is it about free will? That seems like a pretty loaded topic, so we'll skirt that one — we've only got an hour here. Is it that social media now acts as our collective memory? I think so, but nobody really seems to think about anything long enough to know, so it's better if we just move on, which seems to be the point.

There's a decent adage that all forms of technology can ultimately be utilized as a tool or toy. Their design may be neutral, but how we choose to use them can either be in the aim of "production" or the aim of "entertainment." And it works best when it serves up a cautionary tale of when technology or our utilization goes too far on either end of that spectrum. The problem is that all of these episodes are stuck in neutral.

It's acceptable for a show like "Black Mirror" to be implausible or to ask you to really use your willful suspension of disbelief, but the degree to which the third episode, "Rachel, Jack and Ashley Too," asks us to go without much of any return is a bit of a violation of the audience's viewing compact. This one is plagued with the same identity problems as the second one but with an even more painful third act. This fatuous exercise finds a way to want to be a teen movie, buddy-cop movie, an extended prin-

cess-in-the-tower trope, and a family drama. Also, one of the characters' minds has been replicated inside of a miniature robot, which, I guess it's funny to see a little robot casually swear if you're using your imagination for the first time. There's a moment at the end when the pop princess has gone punk, and we have a painful visit to what an actual living, breathing adult thinks a "rock show" is like in 2019. It's hard not to hide or run out of the room. In a knife twist, the little robot is now "punk AF," and literally has a little anarchy symbol stuck onto its chest.

This nod to co-opted culture is perfectly symptomatic of what "Black Mirror" is in 2019: narratively co-opted, pandering to its audience without realizing that it's entirely out of touch. What was once a challenging and interesting friend is now the person at the bar who can't stop saying embarrassing things, and has too much time on their hands and doesn't use it wisely.



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# A true icon

The documentary "Ed Asner: On Stage and Off" follows the life of the actor and activist.

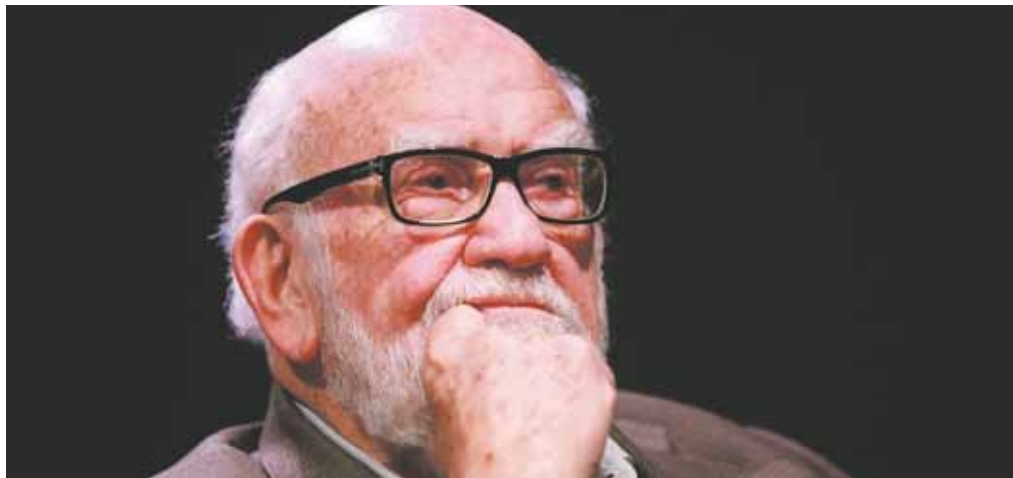


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Ed Asner is truly iconic. People from every generation know him, whether it's as cranky newsman Lou Grant on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" or the voice of a grieving widower in Pixar's "Up."

Asner is not only a respected actor, he is also an activist who at one point was the president of the Screen Actors Guild. He has made his mark not only on the screen and the stage, but also in people's hearts through his wit, charm and his own big heart.

The 89-year-old has made such a mark that the documentary "Ed Asner: On Stage and Off" highlights his life as a whole, not just as a "star."



Ed Asner.

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The documentary takes a look at the Kansas City native's career, early life, iconic roles and radical roots as a well-known activist in Tinseltown.

Asner sat down with Metro to discuss the new documentary, his favorite roles and his activism.

**How did you feel after**

**you learned there was going to be a documentary made about your life?**

I was not involved with the production, but I was honored when I found out the documentary was being made. I hope it sells tickets. I don't think I knew right away that it was going

to be made. I've had several [documentaries].

**What does the film cover? Your career, life, or a little bit of everything?**

It goes into my radical roots and my passion for causes, really the whole nine yards. I'm quite pleased by its coverage [of my life] during that time.

After I watched the film, I blushed.

**Jumping to your career, are there any roles that stick out to you as your favorite?**

Certainly, all are very memorable [for me] but there's Lou Grant from "The Mary Tyler Moore Show." I loved doing that

character. I was proud to make it my own, and I was thrilled to have done it. There were short-lived efforts with others that [were also] worth doing. They've all been a narrow road traveled. The characters are much alike and they had the same attitude. I never felt I made a mistake in choice. Maybe in other things, but never in choice.

**I know you were involved with speaking your mind about causes and politics. Do you think that acting gave you that platform and that voice to have your opinions heard?**

Oh sure, I was always known as an activist in the business. I didn't have to sell my political credentials. I was a union man and I believed the union there is "sanct."

**Overall, what can people expect from the documentary?**

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# *Annabelle will come back stronger and bloodier'*

## GARY DAUBERMAN

The writer of films such as "Annabelle," "Annabelle: Creation," "The Nun" and the new adaptation of "It" makes his directorial debut with "Annabelle Comes Home."

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"The Conjuring" universe, created by James Wan, has become one of the most successful worldwide, which could not be understood without the Annabelle doll, which, like the films of "The Conjuring," has managed to terrify millions of spectators worldwide, raising more than \$600 million at the box office with its first two films.

In this third installment, "Annabelle Comes

Home," the doll is back to cause more horror, but now at the home of the Warrens, who must face what they never imagined. Metro chatted with the film's director and writer, Gary Dauberman, to learn more.

### What were the biggest challenges of making this movie?

Nowadays just having an approved project to shoot a film is already a great challenge, and even a miracle. However, I think one of the biggest pressures I had was trying to



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make a film comparable with the previous ones and with "The Conjuring" universe because they were very successful. I could not sleep thinking about doing something big for this film, but I think it's part of our job, always doing something better and surprising each time.

**Each Annabelle film has a plot and a purpose. What is the main plot of "Annabelle Comes Home"?**

I wanted to focus more on the story of Ed Warren (Patrick Wilson), Lorraine Warren (Vera Farmiga) and Judy (Mckenna Grace) as a family, who will have to face Annabelle because this time, she will come back stronger and bloodier. The film continues to combine moments



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of great suspense and shock.

### It's your directorial debut. How do you feel about that?

I am very excited. It is a very big responsibility so I wanted to focus on every detail to really frighten the audience. I like for everything to have a touch of mystery. But definitely what I have enjoyed most as a director is having the support of the whole team because when I felt that I needed some advice, I spoke with James [Wan, producer of the film] and he always had something good to tell me. Besides, I feel closer to the project, so everything went very well and we hope that people love this film.

**Is it different to be the**

### screenwriter than the director?

Yes, it is definitely different because when you write the script, you must be very specific and make sense of what you want to see on the screen. This time, since I am in both parts, I feel like I'm more open to accept opinions or change some things that may look better. Ideas come to mind lots of times when I'm shooting. We could say that some scenes came out of a conversation or improvisation — obviously without taking away the meaning of the story — and I like to play with that. I think that accepting comments is what gives life to the stories.

**What inspires you to write and adapt horror stories like this one?**

My inspiration comes not only from a genre or movie type, but from several characters or several films. And definitely for this film I was very inspired by the Warrens' original story.

**You have written two of the most successful horror films of the moment, "Annabelle" and "It." Do you have a formula for this?**

I think sometimes it is very difficult, and more so if it is to cause terror. But what has worked for me is to always feel free with what I'm going to write. Because before sitting down and starting a script, I'm not thinking about how much budget I'm going to spend. But now that I'm also a director, I tried not to close myself and write freely.

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# Alex Morgan nets five, USWNT destroys Thailand in WC opener

The U.S. women's national team recorded a record-breaking victory in their World Cup opener.



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The United States women's national team took full advantage of an opportunity to make an opening statement at the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup, rolling through minnows Thailand, 13-0, on Tuesday.

The blowout was the USWNT's largest win ever at the tournament, eclipsing the 7-0 win over Chinese Taipei in the quarter-finals of the 1991 World Cup, and the largest victory ever at the competition.

Alex Morgan led the U.S. onslaught with four goals, a triumphant return to the World Cup after being hampered with injuries during the 2015

competition. She had three career World Cup goals entering Tuesday evening.

She joins American Michelle Akers as the only player in Women's World Cup history to score at least four goals in a single match. Akers pulled off the feat in that rout of Chinese Taipei 28 years ago.

The California native received plenty of support with braces (two goals) from Rose Lavelle and Samantha Mewis while Lindsey Horan, Megan Rapinoe, Mallory Pugh and Carli Lloyd added on to the American dominance.

Morgan — who is healthy at a World Cup after being limited in 2015 — got the U.S. on the board in the 12th minute when she headed in a perfect cross by Kelley O'Hara. It was Morgan's fourth goal in her World Cup career.

It came just moments after Morgan initially had a goal wiped away in the fifth minute due to an offside call following a



Alex Morgan (No. 13) recorded five goals against Thailand on Tuesday. GETTY IMAGES

brilliant long-range cross from center back Abby Dahlkemper. Had Morgan not touched it, the initial header from Lindsey Horan likely would have rolled in.

The midfield magician Lavelle doubled the Americans' lead in the 20th minute with a cannon of a left-footed shot from 25 yards out, the low chance fizzing through the fingertips of Thailand keeper Sukanya Chor Charoenying.

It was a moment of

firsts for the Cincinnati, Ohio, native as she scored her first World Cup goal in her first World Cup game.

Lindsey Horan closed out the United States' scoring in the first half, cleaning up a deflection in front of the Thai goal off a driven ball sent in by a Tobin Heath free kick from just outside in the 32nd minute.

The U.S. didn't take its foot off the pedal in the second half, grabbing a fourth in the 50th minute

when Mewis' deflected shot snuck inside the left post. Not only was it Mewis' first-ever World Cup goal, but it was also the 800th goal ever scored at the Women's World Cup.

Her goal sparked a raucous four-goal explosion that took all of six minutes to make the game an embarrassment for Thailand.

It was all repeat scorers as Morgan, Mewis and Lavelle got on the scoresheet to make it 7-0 by the 56th minute.

Morgan would complete her hat trick in the 74th minute, opening up enough space with a roll-back cut to get the ball on her right foot at the top of the box for a clean finish into the bottom-left corner.

She would add two more in the 81st and 87th minutes to complete her historic night while capping off another explosive run that saw five goals in total scored in that 13-minute span.

The 10 goals in the second half were the most scored during that span in World Cup history.

While a lopsided score may seem harsh — forcing some to implore the U.S. to take their foot off the pedal — every goal counts. With goal differential being the main tiebreaker in group play, a plus-nine mark puts the United States well atop Sweden in Group F play.

The USWNT is next in action on Sunday against Chile while Thailand meets Sweden.



**NETHERLANDS 1  
NEW ZEALAND 0**

In no way was it easy, but Group E favorites the Netherlands came through with a vital three points against a resolute New Zealand side to open Day 5 at the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup.

Jill Roord delivered the winner for the reigning European champions in the 92nd minute, halfway through the four minutes of second-half stoppage time.

The 22-year-old midfielder has been an afterthought on a stacked Netherlands roster that's headlined with the likes of Barcelona's Lieke Martens, Lyon speedster Shanice van de Sanden

and Arsenal striker extraordinaire Vivianne Miedema. But the FC Twente talent was the only one who had the finishing touch on Tuesday.

As time wound down, a cross from Merel van Dongen on the left found Lineth Beerensteyn at the back post, who headed it across the face of goal for Roord. The Dutch hero proceeded to head the chance into the net, saving the Orange Lionesses from a disappointing draw.

It could have been much worse as the underdog New Zealanders had their fair share of chances, getting three

shots on target parried away by Sari Van Veenendaal while playing a counter-attacking brand of soccer. They had only 31 percent of the possession while exhibiting an organized defense that proved plenty difficult to break down.

The Netherlands launched 17 shot attempts on New Zealand's goal, but only three of them managed to get on target.

It was an agonizing 10th loss for New Zealand all-time at the Women's World Cup, who have now lost more games at the tournament than any other program.



**SWEDEN 2  
CHILE 0**

The U.S. has an opportunity to exact revenge on Sweden — the team that knocked them out of the quarterfinals at the 2016 Olympics — in the final match of Group F play later on at the World Cup.

On Tuesday, however, it looked as though tournament debutants Chile were going to hold the powerful Swedes to an unlikely draw behind a nearly-immovable defensive wall.

The Chilean tactics almost worked, but an 83rd-minute winner from Kosovare Asllani and a stoppage-time exclamation point from

Madelen Janogy lifted Sweden to a 2-0 win.

Despite the loss, Christiane Endler — Chile's goalkeeper and captain who plays her club soccer with PSG in France — lived up to the label of being one of the best in the world at her position.

The 27-year-old made nine saves, proving to be an invaluable last line of defense for Chile, which was constantly pinned back by the favored and superior Swedes.

What began as a matched drenched in sunshine quickly descended into a monsoon in the second, providing

another hurdle for the Swedes to deal with as they continue to press for a winner. Severe weather postponed the match in the 72nd minute, causing a nearly hour delay.

Just 11 minutes after the restart, Sweden broke through the Chilean defense and finally found a way past Endler.

A helter-skelter attempt at a clear from the Chileans rewarded the ball to an unmarked Asllani just eight yards in front of Endler's goal. The star keeper had no chance as the Swedish midfielder roofed her chance off the crossbar and in.

# KD injury could doom Knicks summer before it begins

It doesn't get more Knicks than this.

After putting up one of their worst seasons in franchise history with just 17 wins, trotting out a lineup that resembled more of a G-League squad, and trading away their best young talent in years, the light at the end of this miserable tunnel is now dimming.

Golden State Warriors All-Star Kevin Durant went down once again in Game 5 of the NBA Finals after battling his way back onto the court while dealing with a calf issue.

The noncontact injury was immediately a cause for concern, especially on slow-motion replays that saw the 30-year-old's calf literally pop when planting his right leg.

Warriors president of basketball operations Bob Myers confirmed what many had feared while Durant was helped off the court: It's an Achilles injury.



Kevin Durant injured his Achilles during Game 5 of the NBA Finals on Monday night. GETTY IMAGES

Now the NBA world waits with bated breath as Durant is set to undergo an MRI on Tuesday, though Knicks fans will be just as invested in the

results as Warriors fans, who saw their team pull out a gutsy one-point win in Toronto to keep their season alive.

Durant will be a free

agent this summer, beginning on Jul. 1, and has been linked with the Knicks since his expiring contract became a topic of conversation

upon the NBA landscape last year.

The Knicks will have more than enough money to give Durant that long-term max contract he's been searching for along with additional space to bring in a second superstar, whether that's Kyrie Irving or Anthony Davis.

And it couldn't be more of a symbiotic relationship.

Acquiring such a talent would put the Knicks back on the map after 20 years of irrelevance, frustration, and ineptitude. For Durant, leading a turnaround for one of the league's largest teams would restore a legacy that was somewhat tarnished when he joined the juggernaut Warriors.

Now an enormous wrench could be thrown in the Knicks' plans if Durant's injury is severe enough where he'd miss the entire 2019-20 season.

It's just the way

things have gone for this franchise throughout the James Dolan era and could be an excruciating blow in what might become a nightmarish summer.

This is a Knicks team that held the worst record in the NBA but did so at the worst possible time as the league revamped its Draft Lottery rules to even the playing field and not reward tanking as much.

Instead of getting a 25-percent chance at the top pick, the Knicks were tied with two other teams for the top odds at the No. 1 choice and the rights to Duke superstar Zion Williamson.

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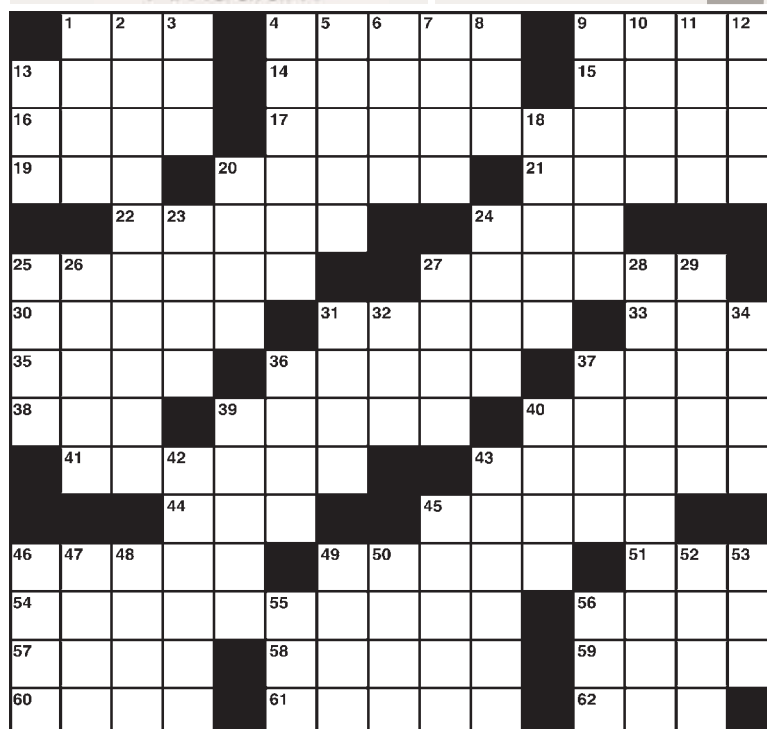
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18 Insensitive slob  
20 Two cups  
23 Hilarious person  
24 Tramp  
25 Say no more  
26 Subdues  
27 Groupies  
28 Tongue-tied  
29 Sacred scroll  
31 Thailand, once  
32 Beanie or zucchini  
34 Obligation  
36 Nudge  
37 Adder's sign  
39 Sound of a fire bell  
40 Use a drill  
42 Make \_\_\_; atone  
43 Dartboard  
45 \_\_\_ pie  
46 \_\_\_ up; admits guilt  
47 On the house  
48 Ripped  
49 Bitter  
50 Evergreen tree  
52 European range  
53 Underhanded  
55 Collie or chow  
56 Peg for Palmer

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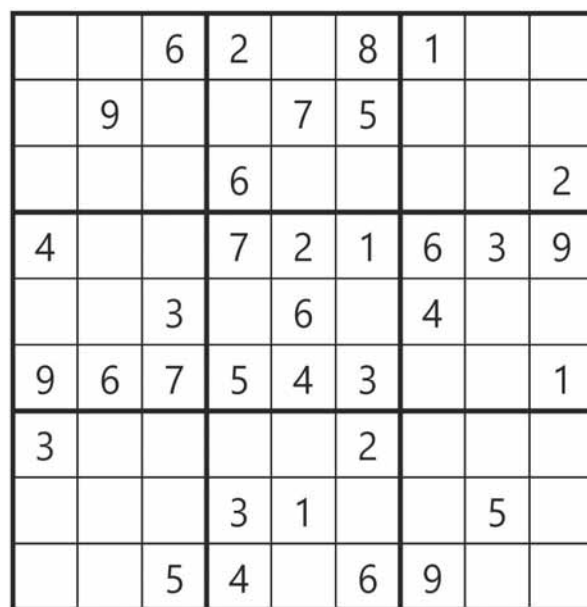
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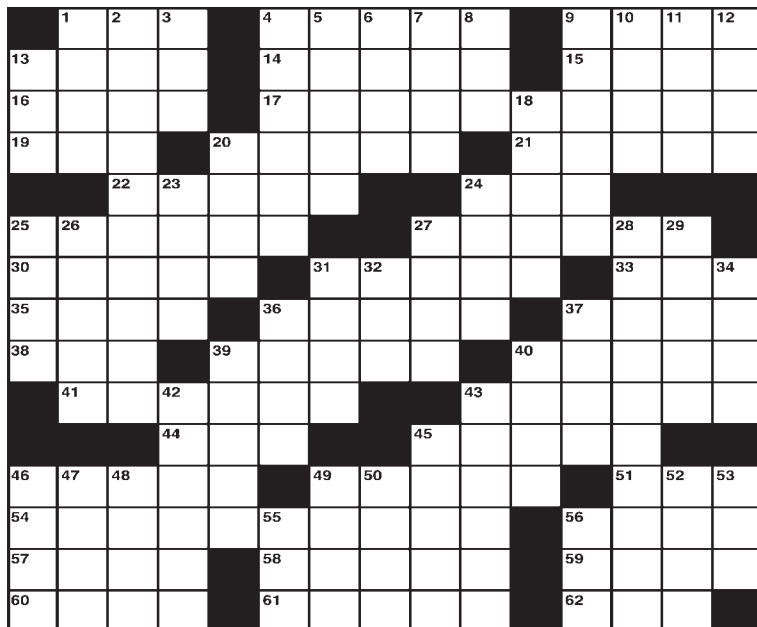
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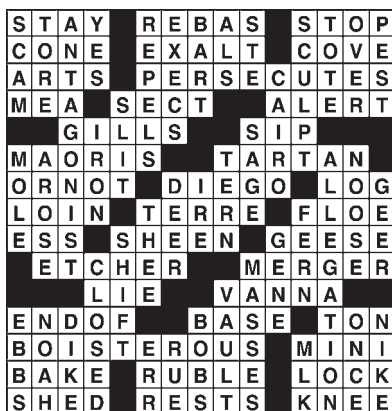
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 4 Island greeting  
 9 "True \_\_\_"; John Wayne movie  
 13 Sheltered bay  
 14 Barry & Annable  
 15 TV's "What's My \_\_\_?"  
 16 Watched  
 17 Ignores one's budget  
 19 In one \_\_\_ and out the other  
 20 Tarkenton & Drescher  
 21 Griffith & Warhol  
 22 Whittles  
 24 Baseball score  
 25 Planned tricks  
 27 Head honchos  
 30 Rattled  
 31 Wonderland visitor  
 33 Run \_\_\_ tab; add to one's bar bill  
 35 Not as much  
 36 Squeaky floorboard's noise  
 37 Skin mark  
 38 "You \_\_\_ what you eat"  
 39 Treaties  
 40 Banquet  
 41 Valuables

43 Kingdoms  
 44 Faux \_\_\_; social blunder  
 45 Emotional  
 46 Sir \_\_\_ Newton  
 49 Clip wool  
 51 Fraternity letter  
 54 \_\_\_ with; write to  
 56 Betelgeuse or Polaris  
 57 Shade trees  
 58 Dishwasher cycle  
 59 Enormous  
 60 Amount to swallow  
 61 Look of contempt  
 62 Suffix for host or heir

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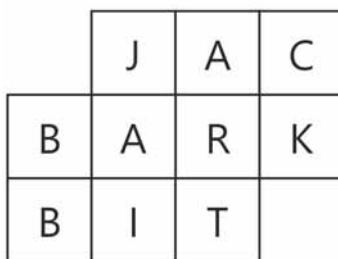
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 2 Raised highways  
 3 Senator Cruz  
 4 Venerates  
 5 Volcano outputs  
 6 Kiln  
 7 His and \_\_\_; matching items for Dad & Mom  
 8 Burro  
 9 Ford & Close  
 10 Orange peel  
 11 \_\_\_ 500; annual race  
 12 Actress Harper  
 13 Mediocre mark  
 18 DVD remote button  
 20 Worry  
 23 Wood splitters  
 24 Roll's partner, in phrase  
 25 Wahine's dance  
 26 Met production  
 27 Unfair slant  
 28 Fast-growing evergreen  
 29 Sudden muscle contraction  
 31 Rainbows  
 32 Permit  
 34 \_\_\_ and crafts  
 36 Long-running musical  
 37 Scorch  
 39 Hippie's greeting  
 40 Apprehension  
 42 Few and far between  
 43 Child's textbook  
 45 Uptight  
 46 Like eclairs  
 47 Song for one  
 48 Up in \_\_\_; irate  
 49 Twirl  
 50 Sharpen  
 52 Hangs limply  
 53 Rage  
 55 Fathers of Jrs.  
 56 That woman

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